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SUBJECT: NIGERIAN ROLE ON THE VERIFICATION COMMISSION MONITORING
THE ANGOLA-ZAIRE AGREEMENT

REF: (A) STATE 183362; (B) LAGOS 9374; (C) STATE 29986

1. BRONSON DEDE, SPECIAL ASSISTANT OF THE COMMISSIONER
OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, TOLD CHARGE AUGUST 8 THAT THE OAU
HAD UNOFFICIALLY, BUT NOT YET OFFICIALLY, NOTIFIED THE
FMG OF ITS NOMINATION TO THE VERIFICATION COMMISSION
WHICH WILL MONITOR THE RECENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN ANGOLA
AND ZAIRE. HE EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT NIGERIAN REPRESENTATIVES
MIGHT BE ENGAGED IN THIS WORK BEFORE THE END
OF AUGUST.

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2. DEDE ALSO SAID THAT, HAD IT NOT BEEN FOR THE RECENT
REPLACEMENT OF THE COMMISSIONER FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS,
THE HEAD OF STATE WOULD ALREADY HAVE BEEN ASKED
BY THE COMMISSIONER WHETHER
HE DESIRED AMERICAN LOGISTICAL SUPPORT, INCLUDING
HELICOPTERS, FOR THE OPERATIONS OF THE VERIFICATION
COMMISSION AT SEVERAL POINTS ALONG THE BORDER BETWEEN

ZAIRE AND ANGOLA. DEDE REFERRED IN THIS CONNECTION
TO A CONVERSATION OF LAST SPRING ON THIS SUBJECT BE-
TWEEN SECRETARY VANCE AND COMMISSIONER GARBA AND
SEEMED TO EXPECT THAT OBASANJO WOULD STILL BE INTERESTED
IN SUCH SUPPORT. WYMAN. UNQUOTE VANCE

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